

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of the claims:

1 to 7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently amended) A portable, pedal driven propellor and drive shaft apparatus for use in a watercraft (1) having gunwhales (15,16), ~~characterised by~~ comprising:

(a) a substantially quadrilateral frame (11,12,13,14) adapted to be releasably mounted on the gunwhales (15,16) of said watercraft (1);

(b) operator seat means (4) mounted on said quadrilateral frame (11,12,13,14);

(c) pedal crank means (5,6) mounted forwardly of, and depending from, said quadrilateral frame (11,12,13,14) and operable by an operator (3) sitting on said seat means (4);

(d) pulley means (81,82,83) pivotally mounted on said quadrilateral frame (11,12,13,14) so as to lie to one side of the operator seat means (4) and forward thereof when in operative position;

(e) means to transmit motive power generated by said pedal crank means (5,6) to said pulley means (81,82,83), said means to transmit motive power comprising drive means (7,8,9), a transverse drive shaft (60,63) and flexible cable-drive means (67,68,69,72,75,80), said drive means (7,8,9) being operatively connected to said pedal crank means (5,6) and to a first end of the transverse drive shaft (60,63), and said flexible cable-drive means (67,68,69,72,75,80) being operatively connected at a first end thereof to a second end of said transverse drive shaft (60,63), and, at a second end thereof, to said pulley means (81,82,83); and

(f) longitudinal drive shaft means (2,38) comprising a longitudinal shaft (2) operatively connected at a first end thereof to said pulley means (81,82,83) and, at a second end thereof, to propeller means (40);

said pulley means (81,82,83) and longitudinal drive shaft means (2,38) being adapted to be pivoted, when mounted on said watercraft (1), about a horizontal transverse axis so as to raise said propeller means (40) to an inoperable position wherein said longitudinal drive shaft means (2,38) is substantially parallel to said gunwhales (15,16), and lower said propeller means

(40) to an operative position wherein said longitudinal drive shaft means (2,38) is at an acute angle relative to said gunwhales (15,16).

9. (Currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 8, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said pulley means (81,82,83) and said longitudinal drive shaft means (2,38) are mounted to and supported by a frame (73,76,78) secured to and rotatable about a round tube portion (77) of said quadrilateral frame (11,12,13,14).

10. (Currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 9, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said frame (73,76,78) comprises a square tube (76) having internal dimensions slightly greater than outer dimensions of said round tube portion (77), said square tube being slidable with said round tube portion (77), and detachably secured thereto by removable pins (86,87) positioned immediately adjacent said frame (73,76,78) on inboard and outboard sides thereof.

11. (Currently amended) The apparatus according to ~~any one of claims 8 to 10~~, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said pulley means (81,82,83) is mounted on said quadrilateral frame (11,12,13,14) so as to lie outboard of one of said gunwhales (15,16) when in the operative position.

12. (Currently amended) The apparatus according to ~~any one of claims 8 to 11~~, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said transverse drive shaft (60,63) is rotatably mounted in transverse tube means (65) mounted on said quadrilateral frame (11,12,13,14).

13. (Currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 12, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said said transverse tube means (65) comprises a spring-loaded pin (66,70) mounted thereon and in alignment with a corresponding hole formed therein, the pin being of sufficient dimensions to engage with a locking recess (71) formed in an input end housing (69) of the flexible cable-drive means (67,68,69,72,75,80) and limiting translational and rotational movement thereof upon rotation of said transverse drive shaft (60,63).

14. (Currently amended) The apparatus according to ~~any one of claims 8 to 13~~, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said pulley means (81,82,83) comprises a first pulley (81) operably connected to the second end of said flexible cable-drive means (67,68,69,72,75,80), a second pulley (82) operably connected to the first end of said longitudinal shaft (2), and an endless drive belt (83) for

transmission of power from said first pulley (81) to said second pulley (82).

15 to 21. (Cancelled)